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Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Overview of Claim changes: No Changes have been made with this amendment.

Listing of Claims:

Claim 1 (currently amended): A picture frame with integrated power control and lighting comprising;

a frame structure that surrounds the edges of artwork or a picture,
at least one power storage device located within the frame structure,
a variable power control mechanism located within the frame structure,
~~at least one~~ LED light source located in front of the artwork or picture located
within the frame structure oriented to shine a beam of light onto the
artwork or picture to illuminate a portion of the artwork or picture more
brightly than other parts of the artwork or picture, and
an electrical connection located within the frame structure that connects the
variable power control mechanism that varies the intensity of the at
least one LED light source to provide illumination onto the artwork or
picture in an inverse proportional relationship to the amount of ambient
light detected by the variable power control mechanism to supplement
ambient light.

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Claim 2 (previously presented): The picture frame with integrated power control and lighting in claim 1 wherein the frame structure is made from metal, plastic, or wood.

Claim 3 (previously presented): The picture frame with integrated power control and lighting from claim 1 wherein the power source is capable of storing electrical power.

Claim 4 (previously presented): The picture frame with integrated power control and lighting from claim 3 wherein the power source is selected from group of batteries, storage capacitors, and solar cells.

Claim 5 (canceled)

Claim 6 (previously presented): The picture frame with integrated power control and lighting from claim 1 wherein the image is a 3 dimensional image that rises from a surface.

Claim 7 (previously presented): The picture frame with integrated power control and lighting from claim 1 wherein the electrical connection consists of wires etched circuit board, and circuitry that is molded bonded or formed as a part of the frame.

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Claim 8 (previously presented): A picture frame with integrated lighting comprising;

- a frame structure that surrounds the edges of artwork or a picture,**
- a variable power source located external to the frame structure,**
- at least one LED light source located within the frame structure and in front of the image where the LED is oriented such that the illumination from the LED light shines on the front of the artwork or picture, and**
- an electrical connection located within the frame structure that connects the variable power source to the at least one LED light source wherein the intensity of the LED light source is at least partially controlled by varying the power supplied to the LED in an inverse relationship to the amount of ambient light external to the picture frame**

Claim 9-10 (canceled)

Claim 11 (previously presented): The picture frame with integrated lighting from claim 8 wherein the power source is from an electrical outlet, or batteries, provides electrical power to the at least one LED.

Claim 12 (canceled)

Claim 13 (previously presented): The picture frame with integrated lighting from claim 8 wherein the artwork or picture is a 3 dimensional image that rises from a surface.

Claim 14 (previously presented): The picture frame with integrated lighting from claim 8 wherein the electrical connection consists of wires etched circuit board, and circuitry that is molded bonded or formed as a part of the frame.

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Claim 15 (previously presented): A method of providing front illuminating of a picture or image comprising;
providing a frame structure that surrounds the edges of artwork or a picture,
providing a solar charged power source,
providing a light source, and locating the light source within the frame and in front of the artwork or a picture,
providing an electrical connection from the solar charged power source to the light source within the frame structure, and varying the intensity of the light source in an inverse proportional relationship to the amount of ambient light on the solar charged power source.

Claim 16 (previously presented): The method of providing front illuminating of a picture or image from claim 15 wherein the frame is the frame structure is made from metal, plastic, or wood.

Claim 17 (canceled)

Claim 18 (previously presented): The method of providing front illuminating of a picture or image from claim 15 wherein the solar charged power source is batteries, or storage capacitors provides providing electrical power to the light source.

Claim 19 (previously presented): The method of providing front illuminating of a picture or image from claim 15 wherein the source is selected from a group consisting of LED's incandescent lights, florescent light, halogen lights, or any other device that provides light when electricity is applied.

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Claim 20 (previously presented): The method of providing front illuminating of a picture or image from claim 15 wherein the electrical connection consists of wires etched circuit board, and circuitry that is molded bonded or formed as a part of the frame structure.

Claim 21 (canceled)

Claim 22 (previously presented): The method of providing front illuminating of a picture or image in claim 8 wherein the frame structure is made from metal, plastic, or wood.

Claim 23 (previously presented) The picture frame with integrated power control and lighting from claim 1 that further includes a sound generating means that makes sound in response to ambient light changes.

Claim 24 (previously presented new) The picture frame with integrated lighting from claim 8 that further includes a sound generating means that makes sound in response to ambient light changes.

Claim 25 (previously presented) The picture frame with integrated power control and lighting from claim 1 that further includes a motion sensor that illuminated the artwork or picture when movement is detected.

Claim 26 (previously presented) The picture frame with integrated lighting from claim 8 that further includes a motion sensor that illuminated the artwork or picture when movement is detected.